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LIST OF OFFICERS.

Superintendent of Streets,
CHARLES E. WHIPPLE.

Local Superintendent Gipsy and Brown-Tail Moth,
ERLE G. BREWER.

Selectmen,

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman,	Term expires 1914.
GEORGE W. FITZ, Clerk,	Term expires 1912.
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,	Term expires 1913.

Overseers of Poor,

GEORGE W. FITZ, Chairman.
GEORGE H. GIBNEY, CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON.

Board of Health,

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON, Chairman, .
GEORGE H. GIBNEY, GEORGE W. FITZ.

Assessors,

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman,
GEORGE W. FITZ, Clerk,
ISAAC F. KNOWLTON.

Treasurer,

JOHN L. WOODBURY.

Town Clerk,
S. A. F. WHIPPLE.

Tax Collector,
CHARLES W. APPLETON.

Auditor,
ANDREW HARADEN.

Tree Warden,
ERLE G. BREWER.

Trustees of Public Library,
AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER, LESTER E. LIBBY,
FRANCIS C. NORTON.

School Committee,
GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Term expires 1913.
EDWIN A. BLAKE, D. D., Term expires 1912.
C. AUGUSTUS NORWOOD, Term expires 1914.

Cemetery Commissioners,
GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
FRANCIS C. NORTON.

Park Commissioners,
GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, FRANCIS C. NORTON,
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON.

Registrars of Voters,
ADDISON B. TOWLE, SAMUEL A. MALONE,
S. A. F. WHIPPLE, MELLVILLE S. DAY, (resigned)
LESTER E. WHIPPLE.

Inspector of Animals and Provisions,

GEORGE R. DODGE.

Keeper of Lockup,

S. A. F. WHIPPLE.

Constables,

SAMUEL E. MCGLAUFLIN,	ALFRED T. POOLE,
HARRISON E. CROCKER,	CHARLES H. SMITH,
OSCAR A. WOODS,	ROY S. DODGE.

Sealers of Leather,

ASA H. JEWETT,	ARTHUR F. WHIPPLE,
FRANK C. NORTON.	

Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Bark and Wood,

TIMOTHY A. MOYNIHAN,	CHARLES E. WHIPPLE,
JONATHAN LAMSON, JR.,	FRANK DAY.

Field Drivers,

FRED. BERRY,	SAMUEL G. GOODHUE,
FRED. KILHAM,	JERRY F. HAWKINS,
JONATHAN LAMSON, JR.	

Pound Keeper,

GEORGE H. HARADEN.



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ANNUAL REPORT.

Treasurer's Report.

JOHN L. WOODBURY, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1, 1911,	\$1,431 45
From Collector of Taxes,	48,525 79
State, account of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth suppression,	1,119 17
Account of Gypsy Moth Highway Commission,	114 20
On Corporation Tax,	7,824 46
National Bank Tax,	959 70
State Aid,	970 00
Street Railway Tax,	1,303 17
Loan in anticipation of taxes,	30,000 00
School house loan,	2,500 00
Town of Essex, oil,	288 00
Hay Scales, Centre District, 1910,	5 00
Contribution from Maxwell Norman,	200 00
Two express licenses,	2 00
Two druggists' licenses,	2 00

Sale of cemetery lots,	\$90 00
From estate of Justin Allen,	500 00
Perpetual Care funds:	
Ellen A. Roberts, addition to J. Kinsman fund,	50 00
Clarence S. Knowlton, Adm. Est. Ellen A. Bean,	100 00
Houston A. Thomas, check to Cemetery Commissioners,	15 00
From County Treasurer, ac- count of dog taxes,	374 77
County Treasurer, account of killing dogs,	10 00
Sheriff Johnson, account of prisoner,	15 00
Fines, less fees,	22 30
Use of steam roller,	116 50
Town of Needham, account of aid,	70 00
Rent of Town Hall,	32 00
City of Boston, account tui- tion of scholars,	76 00
Stamps and telephone service,	9 11
Overpayment of Order No. 353,	08
Appropriation for Memorial Day,	20 00
Merchants Bank, credit,	39 26
G. K. Knowlton, account of scholars' tickets,	6 00
Interest on deposit,	115 48

\$96,906 44

PAYMENTS.

Paid Selectmen's orders,	\$35,903 08
School warrants,	12,855 56
Soldiers' relief,	96 00
State aid,	842 00
Trustees Public Library,	400 00
Allen Fund, deposit Salem Five Cents Savings Bank,	500 00
Perpetual Care Fund, to Ips- wich Savings Bank:	
Ellen A. Bean,	100 00
Jacob Kinsman,	50 00
Town Hall bond, No. 14 and interest,	1,140 00
School house bond, No. 5 and interest,	1,097 60
Interest on registered bonds,	98 00
County tax,	6,070 25
Bureau of Statistics,	9 00
State tax,	5,775 00
Repairs on State Highway,	133 00
Notes, Merchants Nat'l Bank and interest,	20,905 03
Officers' fees, by order of Court,	125 33
Hamilton Veteran Association,	20 00
Commonwealth of Massachu- setts, Town Hall and School- house bonds and interest:	
Interest on School bonds,	196 00

Interest on Town Hall bonds,	\$120 00	
One-fourth of two druggists'		
licenses,	50	
	<hr/>	\$86,436 35
 Treasurer's receipts,	 \$96,906 44	
Treasurer's payments,	86,436 35	
	<hr/>	\$10,470 09
Balance,		

TOWN DEBT.

6 Town Hall bonds of \$1,000.00	
each,	\$6,000 00
10 Schoolhouse bonds of \$980.00	
each,	9,800 00
1 Town note, \$2,500.00,	2,500 00
1 Town note, \$1,500.00,	1,500 00
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	\$33,300 00

Highway Department.

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE, Superintendent.

Appropriation,	\$5000 00
Street Railway Excise tax,	699 56
	\$5699 56

Paid Adams, G. W., labor and teams,	\$351 66
Alden Speares Sons & Co., supplies,	10 00
Ayers, Perley, team,	55 80
Berry, Fred, team,	56 70
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	24 36
Boston & Maine R. R., car service,	64 00
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	148 06
Cummings, A. C., team,	178 20
Dodge, Benjamin B., team,	21 60
Dodge, George R., gravel,	6 25
Dyar Supply Co., snow-plow,	60 00
Fitz, George W., gravel,	144 45
Frear, E. A., labor, Depot Square,	132 00
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies,	16 47
Hobbs, C. A., labor, gravel,	45 00
Hobbs, C. A., snow bill,	5 00
Knowlton, Isaac F., team,	317 70

Knowlton, Joseph, gravel and sand,	\$ 22 40
Knowlton, Willis, gravel,	17 20
Lamson, John, teams,	21 20
Lawrence, Emery, teams,	188 10
McGlaufflin, S. E., catch-basin,	13 05
Moynihan, T. A., teams and supplies,	249 41
Perkins, Charles W., gravel,	24 75
Perley, A. L., gravel,	
Prescott & Co., supplies,	11 58
Puritan Iron Co., “	63 00
Robert Robertson Co., supplies,	5 33
Smith, Thayer & Co., supplies,	8 75
Stone, D. D., labor,	15 00
Symonds, A. G., teams,	202 80
Whipple, C. E. and men, teams and labor,	5,326 46
Whipple, C. E., gravel, sand, gasolene, W. stone,	152 60
Whipple, E. A., teams,	344 70
Total,	\$8,303 98

STATE HIGHWAY.

Fitz, George W., gravel (1910),	\$ 11 30
Moynihan, T. A., account of 1909 contract,	534 06

\$545 36

ASBURY STREET.

Appropriation,		\$1,000 00
Paid Adams, G. M., teams and labor,	\$ 79 80	
Adams, G. M., teams and labor,	32 40	
Cummings, A. C., teams,	10 80	
Dodge, George R., gravel,	21 93	
Massachusetts Broken Stone Co., stone,	215 29	
Metcalf, Charles A., surveys, car fares and labor,	28 04	
McGlaufflin, S. E., expense,	9 88	
Channell, Frank, flagman R.R.,	52 44	
Channell, William, engineer R. R.,	123 00	
Perkins, C. W., gravel,	3 20	
Whipple, C. E., teams and labor,	598 34	
Total,		\$1,175 12

GUARD RAIL.

Appropriation,		\$200 00
Paid Pope & Sons, J. F., lumber,	\$43 55	
Tower, A. B., labor,	36 00	
Total,		\$79 55

ROAD ROLLER.

Appropriation,		\$4,000 00
Paid Buffalo Steam Roller Co., steam roller,	\$3152 30	

Bushek, Henry, inspection of roller,	\$ 5 00	
Channell, William, engineer,	596 82	
Gould, S. C., oil,	14 66	
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup- plies,	1 65	
Malone, S. A., supplies and repairs,	17 15	
Moynihah, T. A., coal,	83 38	
Robert Robertson Co., supplies,	4 85	
Standard Oil Co., gasolene,	6 05	
Total,		\$8,881 86

[STREET WATERING AND OILING.

Appropriation,		\$1,500 00
Paid Gulf Refining Co., oil,	30 00	
Smith & Thayer Co., supplies,	15 69	
Standard Oil Co., road oil,	732 81	
		\$778 50

STREET LIGHTING.

Appropriation,	\$3,000 00
Paid Globe Gas Light Co.,	3,232 02

SNOW REMOVAL.

Appropriation,	\$2,000 00
Paid Adams, G. M., labor,	\$29 75
Ash, George E., “	1 00

Bunce, George,	labor,	\$ 1 75
Burchsted, John,	"	2 00
Cook, Horace,	"	80
Cummings, A. C.,	teams,	10 80
Curran, Daniel,	labor,	38
Dane, Frank,	"	2 75
Day, A. W.,	"	10 75
Fisher, L. S.	"	3 75
French, William	"	1 25
Goodhue, William,	"	1 00
Hobbs, C. A.	"	1 50
Kinsman, Charles,	"	2 75
Knowlton, Wallace,	"	1 00
Lawrence, Emery, snow bill,		
1910,		174 50
Lovering, Merrill, S.,	labor,	75
McGlauffin, S. E.,	"	4 00
McGregor, Frank,	"	1 00
McGregor, Harry,	"	1 00
Morgan, James,	"	1 87
Morse, William,	"	3 01
Moynihan, T. A., removing		
snow,		126 25
Sargent, Lawrence,	labor,	50
Stone, D. D.,	"	1 00
Tucker, Joseph,	"	1 60
Whipple, E. A.,	"	9 27
Whipple, Frank M.,	"	1 88
Whipple, Lester,	"	50
Whipple, R. W.,	"	1 00
Total,		<hr/> \$399 36

SIDEWALKS.

Appropriation,		\$400 00
Paid Fitz, George W., gravel,	\$9 15	
Mann, J., “	2 85	
Perkins, Charles W., “	8 80	
McGlauffin, S. E., Appleton & Kilham,	64 51	
Perley, A. L., gravel,	2 25	
Whipple, C. E., teams and labor,	374 44	
Total,		\$462 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		\$400 00
Paid Andrews, H. E., supplies,	\$14 28	
Back, H. S., fighting fire,	1 00	
Berry, Fred, Forest Fire War- den,	5 00	
Berry, Fred, fighting fire,	23 75	
Bunce, George, “ “	2 50	
Chandler, R., “ “	1 00	
Chandler, W. R., “ “	3 00	
Chandler, F. “ “	50	
Channell, William, “ “	50	
Cummings, A. C., teams,	59 50	
Fisher, David, fighting fire,	3 00	
Foy, B., “ “	1 00	
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup- plies,	22 50	

Howard, C.,	fighting fire,	\$ 1 00
Knowlton, Harold,	“ “	50
Knowlton, Wallace,	“ “	50
Lefavour, E.,	“ “	1 00
Lovering, Merrill S.,	“ “	2 00
McGlauffin, S. E.,	team,	50
McGlauffin, S. E.,	labor,	37 90
Moynihan, T. A.,	coal and wood,	5 75
Perley, A. L.,	fighting fire and supplies,	30 50
Standard Ext. Co.,	supplies,	108 00
Stone, D. D.,	watching fire,	1 00
Sweeney, Thomas,	fighting fire,	1 00
Total,		<hr/> \$327 18

RELOCATION OF RAILROAD AVE.

Appropriation,		\$700 00
Paid McGlauffin, S. E.,	labor,	\$81 36
Whipple, C. E.,	teams and labor,	326 03
Total,		<hr/> \$407 39

TREE WARDEN.

ERLE G. BREWER, Supt.

Appropriation,		\$150 00
Paid Brewer, Erle G.,	labor,	\$33 00

Cummings, A. C., teams,	\$20 00	
Dodge, Emerson P., labor,	3 00	
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup- plies, 1910,	2 71	
Hayes, Charles, labor,	36 00	
McGregor, Harry, labor,	3 00	
Scully, Philip, bolt rods,	40	
Taylor, Harry, labor,	1 00	
Underhill, E. A., labor,	51 00	
Total,		\$150 11

GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTH.

ERLE G. BREWER, Supt.

Appropriation,	\$2500 00
Allowed by the State,	1119 17
Private property,	954 50
State Highway,	114 20
	<hr/> \$4,687 87

Paid Blaisdell, Charles M., labor,	\$153 00
Brewer, Erle G., labor,	851 97
Brewer, Erle G., express and freight,	20 06
Chickets Garage, supplies,	1 50
Cummings, A. C., teams, gas- olene and oil,	353 18
Dodge, Emerson P., labor,	481 76
Dodge, George I., labor,	50 62

Dunnells, Albert, labor,	\$ 6 00
Durkee, Leverett H., labor,	48 00
Edwards, Harry, team and labor,	120 63
Fredericks, George, labor,	13 88
French, Harry, labor,	31 50
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies,	18 80
Hayes, Charles, labor,	2 00
Hayes, George W. H., account gypsy moth work,	24 37
Hayes, George W. H., account gypsy moth work,	31 62
Malone, S. A., supplies and repairs,	12 70
McGraw, Fred, labor,	24 76
McGregor, Harry, labor,	503 51
Moynihan, T. A., cement,	60
Sawyer, Warren M., labor on sprayer,	4 80
Scully, Philip, repairs,	1 60
Standley, Lester W., labor,	2 00
Stewart, Thomas, "	248 89
Taylor, Harry, "	194 00
Tinkham, Archie, "	82 00
Tinkham, Smith, "	53 00
Underhill, Ed. A., "	419 72
Whipple, A. E., team and labor,	328 75
Whipple, A. E., express,	25

Total,

\$4,085 47

 POOR DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		\$1,500 00
Paid Andrews, H. E., supplies,	\$ 6 94	
Back, H. S., board,	56 00	
Beverly, City of, aid	35 55	
Channell, Mrs. Lucy, rent,	23 50	
Churchill, Mrs. Nelson, rent,	110 00	
Corcoran, J. G., M. D., profes-		
sional services and medicine,	32 00	
Dane, Frank, board,	50 00	
Dodge, Sarah B., assistance,	104 00	
Fitz, George W., milk,	20 29	
Georgetown, Town of, rent,		
supplies, etc.,	144 74	
Hale Hospital, board,	37 20	
Hobbs, C. A., board,	364 00	
Lynn, City of, aid and rent,	61 45	
McGinley, A. J., supplies,	25 29	
Moynihah, T. A., coal,	3 75	
Noble, Mrs. I. A., board,	308 60	
Reed & Costolo, rent,	10 00	
Smith, Richard H., rent,	72 00	
Steeves, E. C., M. D., medical		
services,	10 00	
Stone, A. W., supplies,	18 02	
Whipple, John H., rent,	35 00	
Total,		\$1,528 33

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation,		\$150 00
Paid Corcoran, J. G., M. D., profes-		
sional services and medicine,	\$184 00	
Gould, S. C., supplies,	3 50	
Kimball, D. W., supplies,	88 46	
McGinley, M. C., M. D., pro-		
fessional services and med-		
icine,	4 25	
Moynihan, T. A., coal,	15 00	
Total,		\$295 21

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid Adams, G. M., services, 1910,	\$22 60	
Crocker, H. E., services, 1910,	28 80	
Cummings, A. C., teams,	21 50	
Dodge, Harold M., services,	12 20	
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-		
plies,	1 00	
Iver Johnson Sporting Goods		
Co., supplies,	16	
McGlauffin, S. E., services,	131 28	
Smith, Charles H., services,	21 00	
Poole, A. T., services,	65 60	
Wood, O. A.,	38 32	
Total,		\$358 30

TOWN HALL.

Appropriation,		\$1,500 00
Paid Beverly Gas & Electric Co., lighting,	\$49 71	
Checkets Garage, labor and supplies,	1 60	
Crocker, H. E., labor and sup- plies,	27 80	
Daley, William J., supplies,	16 52	
Goodell, Zina, supplies,	5 98	
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup- plies,	13 27	
Jones, William, pruning trees,	5 00	
Lee, J. W., supplies,	7 35	
Malone, S. A., repairs,	6 50	
McGinley, A. J., supplies,	5 55	
Moynihan, T. A., coal,	233 69	
Norton, F. C., water supply,	25 00	
Robert Robertson Co., supplies,	1 13	
Sawyer, Warren M., labor,	1 20	
Schaller, Frank R., tuning piano,	7 00	
Stone, A. W., supplies,	1 75	
Trussell, F. P., labor and sup- plies,	40 81	
Whipple, S. A. F., janitor,	350 00	
Total,		\$799 86

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid Andrews, H. E., supplies,	\$ 8 12	
Gibney, George H., three fumigations,	15 00	
Horgan, J., expense account of quarantine,	72 00	
Total,		\$95 12

DECORATION DAY.

Appropriation,		\$50 00
Paid Hamilton Veteran Association,	\$20 00	

IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Received from Maxwell Norman,		\$200 00
Paid Ayers, Perley, team,	\$ 8 10	
Berry, Fred, "	5 40	
Cummings, A. C., "	27 00	
Knowlton, I. F., "	8 10	
Whipple, C. E., "	162 15	
Total,		\$210 75

CEMETERY COMMISSION.

Appropriation,		\$300 00
Paid Gibney, George H., salary,	\$15 00	
Knowlton, George K., salary,	15 00	

Moynihan, T. A., account of		
contract,	\$29 00	
Norton, F. C., salary,	15 00	
Roberts, George E., cemetery		
work,	45 50	
Total,		\$119 50

ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid Burroughs Adding Machine		
Co., adding machine,	\$367 50	
Cummings, A. C., teams,	23 50	
Walker Lith. & Pub. Co., atlas,	30 00	
Fitz, George W., services with		
R. of V.,	7 00	
Total,		\$428 00

BONDING OFFICERS.

Appropriation,		\$125 00
Paid American Security Co.,		
Treasurer's bond,	\$50 00	
Town Clerk's bond,	5 00	
Collector's bond,	75 00	
Total,		\$130 00

SOUTH SCHOOL ANNEX.

Appropriation,		\$2500 00
Paid Balcomb, Edwin B., services		
and expense,	\$143 11	

Bancroft, W. W., contract		
account,	\$2287 59	
Knowlton, G. K., journeys,	3 00	
McGlauffin, S. E., labor and		
supplies,	27 71	
Poole, A. T., extra work,	14 50	
Total,		\$2475 91

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Paid, Knowlton, G. K., supplies,	\$7 56	
Lee, J. W., supplies,	13 04	
Bancroft, W. W., repairs, South		
School,	416 37	
Gibney, G. H., insurance,	120 00	
	\$556 97	

SALARIES AND FEES.

Appropriation,		\$3000 00
Paid, Appleton, C. W., balance		
due,	\$700 96	
Appleton, C. W., account		
salary, 1911,	450 00	
Dodge, George H., election		
officer,	5 00	
Dodge, George R., cattle		
inspector,	58 57	
Fitz, George W.,		
" " Selectman,	208 33	
" " Assessor,	80 75	

Fitz, George W.,	
" " journeys,	\$ 52
" " Board of Health,	8 34
" " perambulating	
lines,	15 00
" " Election Officer,	10 00
Gibney, George H., Selectman,	300 00
" " Assessor,	282 00
" " journeys,	11 00
" " Board of Health,	50 00
" " perambulating	
lines,	15 00
" " Election Officer,	10 00
" " Overseer of Poor,	50 00
Goodhue, Samuel G., Teller,	10 00
Gould, Raymond C., Election	
Officer,	5 00
Haraden, Andrew, Auditor,	55 00
" " balance salary,	
1910,	
" " Auditor, 1911,	142 00
Haraden, George H., Election	
Officer,	5 00
Kilham, Fred P., Election Officer,	15 00
Knowlton, Clarence S.,	
" " Selectman,	200 00
" " Overseer of	
Poor,	50 00
" " perambulating	
lines,	15 00
" " Election Officer,	10 00
" " Board of Health,	50 00

Lamson, John, Election Officer,	\$ 10 00	
McDonald, James D., Election Officer,	5 00	
Norwood, C. Augustus, Moderator,	5 00	
Poole, A. T., Election Officer,	10 00	
Scully, Philip, Election Officer, 1910-1911,	15 00	
Smith, Charles H., Election Officer,	10 00	
Southwick, Arthur, Election Officer,	5 00	
Towle, A. B., Registrar of Voters,	25 00	
Whipple, Lester, Election Officer,	5 00	
Whipple, S. A. F.,		
" " Town Clerk,	180 00	
" " recording marriages,	3 20	
" " recording births,	8 60	
" " " deaths,	5 80	
" " " deeds,	3 00	
" " Registrar of Voters,	20 00	
" " Election Officer,	10 00	
" " administering oaths,	28 00	
" " return of Rep. vote,	3 00	
" " return of dog licenses,	6 00	
" " miscellaneous,	9 85	
" " oaths on Town notes,	50	
Woodbury, J. L., Treasurer,	500 00	
Total,		\$3680 42

WIGGLESWORTH PARK.

Appropriation,		\$400 00
Paid, Berry, Fred, team and labor,	\$57 80	
Knowlton, George K., service on title and records 1909-10,	20 84	
Moynihan, T. A., cement,	60	
Roberts, George E., services,	41 50	
Salem Evening News, paper notice,	3 88	
Total,	\$124 62	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Appropriation,		\$1,500 00
Paid Adams, A. M., rent of land,	\$ 15 00	
Anderson, P. G., supplies,	5 75	
Appleton, C. W., abatements,	283 33	
Barry Printing Co., supplies,	344 80	
Boston N. P. Co., supplies,	5 95	
Burnham Job Print, printing,	3 75	
Burns, Fred E., accident claim,	150 00	
Conrad, N. J., supplies,	6 80	
Corcoran, J. G., M. D., return of births,	3 00	
Davis, Charles H., M. D., re- turn of births,	6 50	
Dodge, George R. relocating lamp posts,	3 00	
Gentlee & Son, S. A., burial,	15 00	

Gibney, G. H., postage, ex- press, box rent,	\$15 41
Haraden, A., various,	17 40
Haraden, George H., care of clock,	25 00
Hobbs, Warren Co., supplies,	92 47
Howard Clock Co., E. labor and repairs,	17 50
Iver Johnson Sporting Goods Co., postage,	02
Jones, William, supplies and pruning trees,	10 80
Larcom & Co., Benj., flowers,	10 00
McGlaughlin, S. E., edgestones and corner blocks,	77 62
Henry Meek Publishing Co., directory,	4 00
Miller, Mrs. L. A., sten- ographer,	10 00
Moynihan, T. A., freight,	60
N. Tel. & Tel. Co., service,	97 83
Perley, A. L., express,	1 00
Poole, A. T., posting warrant,	3 00
Porter, Mrs. E. M., care of minor child,	6 50
Rankins, Carrie D., postage,	18 71
Roberts, George E., -labor at church green,	10 20
Shaller, Florence, R., type- writing,	2 25
Shaller, Fred C., printing bill heads,	1 50

Schofield, George R., supplies,	\$12 50	
Smith, W. L., balance due bill of 1910,	13 71	
Sohier, W. D., gravel and oil- ing,	122 50	
Stott, Lilla D., probate and deeds,	19 50	
Topsfield, Town of, Hamilton's share of bound stones,	13 00	
Wakefield Daily Item, print- ing,	6 50	
Woodbury, J. L., account of Allen fund and various,	508 39	
Young, B. F., return of deaths,	1 50	
Total,		<hr/> \$1,962 29

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Highway	\$8,303 98
State Highway	545 36
Asbury Street	1,175 12
Guard rail	79 55
Road Roller	3,881 86
Street Watering and Oiling	778 50
Street Lighting	3,232 02
Snow	399 36
Sidewalks	462 00
Fire Department	327 18
Re-location of Railroad Avenue	407 39
Tree Warden	150 11
Gypsy and Brown-tail Moth	4,085 47
Poor Department	1,528 33
Soldiers' Relief	295 21
Police Department	358 30
Town Hall	799 86
Board of Health	95 12
Improvement Fund	210 75
Decoration Day	20 00
Cemetery Commissioners	119 50
Assessors' Department	428 00
Bonding Officers	130 00
South School Annex	2,475 91
School Department	556 97
Salaries and Fees	3,680 42
Wigglesworth Park	124 62
Miscellaneous	1,962 29

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the accounts of the Town of Hamilton and find them correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW HARADEN,

Auditor.

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,	} <i>Selectmen of Hamilton.</i>
GEORGE W. FITZ,	
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,	

RESOURCES.

Due from Town of Wenham, one-half bill for surveying Town lines,	\$10 46
John Jones, one-half sidewalk assessments,	197 68
F. A. Smith, one-half sidewalk assessments,	46 00
T. A. Moynihan, use of steam roller,	600 00
G. von L. Meyer, work on avenue,	402 10
John Martell, Town expense in Mrs. Badger's case, Town of Needham,	19 93

Tax Collector's Report.

Account of Taxes with the Town of Hamilton, December 31, 1911.

Due the Town for 1910,	\$ 6,581 55
Due the Town for 1911,	50,807 09
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	\$57,388 64
Paid Treasurer,	48,688 64
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	\$8,700 00
Dec. 31, 1911, due on unpaid taxes for 1909-10-11,	\$8,700 00

CHARLES W. APPLETON,

Collector.

Assessors' Report, 1912.

Value of buildings,	\$1,380,700 00
Value of land,	875,515 00
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Value of real estate,	\$2,256,215 00
Value of personal estate,	2,064,745 00
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Total valuation,	\$4,320,960 00
Exemptions,	12,000 00
Tax on real estate,	22,562 15
Tax on personal estate,	20,647 45
Tax on polls,	918 00
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	\$44,127 60

Corporation, tax,	\$7824 46
National Bank tax,	959 70
Street Railway excise tax,	699 56
Street Railway franchise tax,	1303 17
Gypsy moth assessment,	954 50
Tax on each poll,	2 00
Rate per 1000,	10 00
Number of horses,	356
Number of cows,	263
Number of swine,	281
Number of fowl,	2950
Number of dwellings,	794
Number of residents assessed on property,	391
Number of non-residents assessed on property,	297
Number of persons assessed on polls only,	261
Total number of persons assessed,	948
Special Assessment, December 20,	\$501,543 00

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,

GEORGE W. FITZ,

Assessors of Hamilton.

Town Clerk's Report.

SAMUEL A. F. WHIPPLE, *Town Clerk.*

There have been four Special Town Meetings held during the year.

There has been ten petitions received for the location of poles and fixtures of which four were from the Beverly Gas and Electric Co. of Beverly, and six from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Salem.

Hearings held and petitions granted.

There were twenty-six names added to the male voting list during the year.

DOG LICENSES.

There were one hundred and five licenses issued during the year of which two were breeders, three kennels ; eighty male dogs and twenty female.

Total amount received \$458.00 and paid over to the County Treasurer, less fees.

MARRIAGES RECORDED, 1911.

- Jan. 23. Harry W. Pentz, Boston,
Florence L. McGregor, Hamilton.
- Jan. 24. Austin B. Henderson, Beverly,
Elizabeth B. Conant, Beverly.
- Mar. 11. Frank G. Sargent, Wenham,
Mary Foss, Beverly.
- Apr. 12. William A. Caldwell, Beverly,
Irene P. Jacobs, Beverly.
- Apr. 22. Winthrop F. Dodge, Hamilton,
Mrs. Lorena M. Palm, North Beverly.

- May 18. Joseph McDonald, Hamilton,
Mary K. Canlon, Hamilton.
- June 17. Erle G. Brewer, Hamilton,
Marion Cotesworth, Hamilton.
- June 21. Harold C. Ormsby, Wakefield,
Ida M. Ingalls, Hamilton.
- July 12. Frederic Winthrop, Hamilton,
Sarah B. Thayer, Lancaster.
- Aug. 20. Reginald Nickerson, South Hamilton,
Jessie Nickerson, South Hamilton.
- Sept. 7. Arthur P. Larrabee, Beverly,
Martha W. Dodge, Hamilton.
- Nov. 15. Louis Saulnier, South Hamilton.
Bess Read, North Beverly.
- Nov. 26. Antone Chludzrenski, South Hamilton,
Aleksandra Wtodkowska, Lynn.
- Nov. 27. James D. McDonald, South Hamilton,
Alice M. Meggitt, Beverly.
- Nov. 30. Thomas S. Dean, South Hamilton,
Katherine M. Kelley, South Hamilton.
- Nov. 30. Walter E. Newhall, South Hamilton,
Marion A. Day, Asbury Grove.

BIRTHS RECORDED 1911.

- Jan. 8. Albert Gardner, son to Herman and Dollie Stanchfield.
- Jan. 14. Helen Woodbury, daughter to George and Lydia Haraden.
- Jan. 23. John Richard, son to James and Mary Saunders.
- Jan. 25. Josephine, daughter to Frank and Josie Loski.
- Jan. 28. Michael, son to Michael and Sarah M. DeLucca.
- Feb. 5. Mildred Eleanor, daughter to Charles S. and Alice Kerr.
- Feb. 24. Evan, son to Odile and Ida Trombly.
- Mar. 11. Ralph Osgood, son to Albert and Addie G. Palmer.

- Mar. 19. Chester Milton, son to Clarence M. and Clara L. Berry.
 Apr. 12. Barbara Asenath, daughter to John G. and Anna A. Corcoran.
 Apr. 26. Albert Cornelius, son to Samuel A. and Catherine Malone.
 June 22. Edith Blanch, daughter to Clarence and Mabel Boyden.
 June 29. John Allen, son to John J. and Ellen F. Burke.
 June 30. Florence Muriel, daughter to Harry and Florence L. Pentz.
 Aug. 4. Ernest Leslie, son to Ernest R. and Annie T. Falkner.
 Aug. 7. Sarah Sutton, daughter to Frederick H. and Elizabeth J. Ayers.
 Sept. 6. Helen Dorothy, daughter to Hiram and and Siana Pitman.
 Sept. 27. Frank Edward, son to George H. and Helen Frederick.
 Sept. 28. William Richard, son to William W. and Bessie E. Bancroft.
 Oct. 1. Walter Emmons, son to Harrison and Mary Crocker.
 Oct. 23. Marjorie Ellsworth, daughter to Wallace and Bessie Day.
 Nov. 13. Dorothy Augusta, daughter to Morris G. and Helen W. Hatt.
 Dec. 4. Ellen Barbara, daughter to Jeremiah and Nora J. Horgan.

DEATHS RECORDED, 1911.

		Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.
Jan. 3.	Jonathan Lamson	54	2	25
Jan. 9.	Frederick H. Stone		3	14
Jan. 14.	Ellen A. Bean	51	11	1
Jan. 29.	Franceska May	50	9	
Feb. 8.	Eunice A. Smith	26	11	

		Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.
Feb. 12.	Thomas F. Wright		4	16
Feb. 17.	Caroline M. Haraden	53	1	23
Mar. 11.	Lydia V. Dane	91	2	9
Apr. 12.	Albert F. Allen	58		10
Apr. 24.	Asa H. Jewett	71	9	6
Apr. 30.	Roy P. Lefavour		4	
May 29.	George T. Oakes	66	9	8
June 8.	Josephine F. Pepin	37		
June 20.	Martha A. E. Bean	80		
July 9.	Patrick Bresnahan	49		
July 13.	Charles E. Davis	81		
July 16.	Madeline E. Appleton	9	10	
July 17.	Mary A. Roche	74		
July 22.	Abner D. Gorham	85	3	8
Aug. 18.	Frank H. Parker	55	9	9
Sept. 11.	Allan Dass		3	
Sept. 22.	Mary Dodge	47	2	1
Nov. 1.	Sophia C. Preston	83	6	17
Nov. 20.	Thomas E. Firmingley	59	3	9
Dec. 12.	Edward L. Chase	7	4	3
Dec. 20.	David M. Richardson	76	3	12
Dec. 29.	Loena Badger	50		
Dec. 31.	Anna Chludzanska	38		

REMAINS BROUGHT INTO TOWN.

Feb. 24.	Isaac A. Lamson
Mar. 16.	David B. Wallace
Apr. 15.	Idela J. Trow
May 16.	Jonathan P. Lovering
May 17.	Helen Patch
May 25.	Fred Hamnet
June 19.	Ednah A. Averill

July 26. Walter I. Preston
 Aug. 1. Nellie B. Downs
 Nov. 23. Myron W. Haviland
 Dec. 11. Charles Olin Swett
 Dec. 28. Charles Rogers
 Child of Ralph Porter.

Report of Cemetery Commissioners.

(Account closed December 30, 1911)

At the Annual Town Meeting held March 14, 1911, George K. Knowlton was elected Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

ORGANIZATION.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman,	Term expires 1914
GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Secretary,	Term expires 1912
FRANK C. NORTON,	Term expires 1913

RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	\$300 00
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EXPENSES.

Paid George E. Roberts, labor in cemetery,	\$45 50
George K. Knowlton, commission services,	15 00

George H. Gibney, commis-		
sion services,	\$15 00	
Frank C. Norton,	15 00	
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		\$90 50
Balance unexpended,		<hr/>
		\$210 50

An appropriation of \$300 is recommended for Cemetery use.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
 GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
 FRANK C. NORTON,

Cemetery Commissioners.

Report of Park Commissioners.

(Closed December 30, 1911)

At the Annual Town Meeting held March 14, 1911, Clarence S. Knowlton was elected Park Commissioner for three years.

ORGANIZATION.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman,	Term expires 1913
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON, Secretary,	Term expires 1914
FRANK C. NORTON,	Term expires 1912

RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	\$500 00
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EXPENSES.

Paid Fred Berry, labor and team in Wigglesworth cemetery,	\$57 80	
George E. Roberts, removing remains of dead from Wigglesworth cemetery and other connected work,	41 50	
J. K. Knowlton, work on title, records and other work,	20 84	
Salem News, advertising,	2 63	
		\$122 77
Balance unexpended,		\$377 23

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,

FRANK C. NORTON,

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,

Park Commissioners.

Public Library Report.

Total number of volumes Jan. 1, 1911,	6318
“ “ “ “ added during year,	216
“ “ “ “ Jan. 1, 1912,	6534

Number of volumes issued :

	Fiction	History	Biog.	Miscellaneous	Total
January	549	13	14	10	586
February	477	6	6	16	475
March	679	10	15	19	723
April	806	12	10	11	839
May	594	8	2	34	638
June	568	14	14	11	607
July	788	19	16	18	841
August	342	11	12	11	376
September	746	17	12	17	792
October	568	14	10	11	603
November	636	18	16	18	688
December	803	14	7	9	833
	<u>7526</u>	<u>156</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>8001</u>

Number of new cards issued during year,	93
Amount collected for fines,	\$2.96

In presenting the annual report for the Public Library, it gives me pleasure to state that the circulation is increasing. By examining the number of volumes issued during the year, it is very gratifying to find that the increase has not been in “fiction” alone, but in other branches as well.

This year, more books have been used by High School pupils in connection with their work, than in previous years. We have recently added, especially for school work, a set of "Vocations" consisting of ten volumes, setting forth the various phases of Mechanic Arts, Home Making, Literature, Wood Craft, Professions of Law, Ministry, Medicine, etc. A new supplement to the Finding List will soon be printed. It has been suggested, by those much interested in library work, that a list of books added each year be printed in the Town Report. If this meets the approval of the Trustees, I shall be glad to furnish such a list. This has been tried in other libraries and found very satisfactory.

We received a number of books and magazines from Mrs. Augustus P. Gardner and we wish to express thanks to her for the same. Also from Mr. Reginald C. Robbins a book of his own composition, which we appreciate very much. We are also grateful to the Woman's Education Society for the loan of a set of photographs of India and other eastern countries. Among the Vital Records received this year are those of Hamilton, Ipswich, Essex and other near-by places, which may prove of interest to some of the patrons of the library.

GRACE C. STONE,

Librarian.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER, Treasurer, in account with Trustees
of Public Library at Hamilton, Mass.

H. AUGUSTA DODGE FUND.

June 20, 1907. Received from John L. Woodbury, Town Treasurer, check for \$1000.00 for legacy from estate of the late Mrs. H. Augusta Dodge, for a free read- ing room in the Public Library in the Town of Hamilton, Mass.,	\$1,000 00
December 30, 1911. Interest to De- cember 30, 1911,	112 42
	<hr/> \$1,112 42
December 30, 1911. Amount on de- posit to credit of Library Trus- tees at Merchants National Bank, Salem, Mass.,	\$1,112 42

(Signed) A. P. GARDNER,

Treasurer, Trustees of
Hamilton Public Library.

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER, Treasurer, in account with Trustees
of the Public Library at Hamilton, Mass.

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January 1, 1911. Balance to credit of Library Trustees,	\$504 76
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December 29, 1911. Received from Grace C. Stone, Librarian, amount of fines to December 29, 1911,	\$ 2 96	
December 30, 1911. Received from John L. Woodbury, Town Treasurer, amount appropriat- ed at last Annual Town Meet- ing,	\$400 00	
December 30, 1911. Received from Almy, Bigelow & Washburn amount overpaid in Warrant No. 4, December 28, 1911,	2 02	\$909 74

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May 2, 1911. Paid Warrant No. 1.		
Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books,	\$16 47	
Edward L. Perley, binding books,	17 10	
Newcomb & Gauss, call cards,	2 25	
Young Folks Educational League,	15 44	
Grace C. Stone, salary, three months,	50 00	
Grace C. Stone, extra work, two weeks,	15 00	\$116 26

August 24, 1911. Paid Warrant
No. 2.

Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books and magazines,	\$94 51	
Newcomb & Gauss, cards and printing,	6 00	
Library Bureau, supplies,	8 00	
Grace C. Stone, salary, three months,	50 00	
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		\$158 51

November 2, 1911. Paid Warrant
No. 3.

Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books,	\$6 95	
Grace C. Stone, salary, three months,	50 00	
Grace C. Stone, cash paid R. E. Low for books ordered by Mr. Libby,	4 65	
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		\$61 60

December 28, 1911. Paid Warrant
No. 4.

Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books,	\$40 39	
Records of Past, magazine,	3 00	
Arthur C. Cummings, teaming books, 1911,	27 00	

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Grace C. Stone, salary three months,	\$ 50 00	
Grace C. Stone, cash expended for sundries,	2 50	
	<u>\$122 89</u>	
		\$459 26

NOTE. In this Warrant Almy, Bigelow & Washburn were overpaid \$2.02. This amount was returned and appears in the receipts of the Treasurer.

December 30, 1911. Balance to credit of Library Trustees,	\$450 48	
	<u></u>	\$909 74

(SIGNED)

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER, *Treasurer.*

Trustees of Hamilton Public Library.

E. and O. E.

**List of Appropriations
as Recommended by the Selectmen.**

Highways,	\$5000 00
Street watering or oiling,	1500 00
Street lighting,	4500 00
Road roller,	700 00
Guard rail,	300 00
Sidewalks,	400 00
Poor department,	1500 00
Soldiers' relief,	150 00
State aid,	950 00
Military aid,	150 00
Decoration day,	50 00
Town hall,	1500 00
Fire department,	500 00
Cemetery,	300 00
Tree Warden,	150 00
Salaries and fees,	3500 00
Police department,	500 00
Library,	400 00
Snow removing,	2000 00
Board of Health,	500 00
Brown-tail and gypsy moth,	2500 00
Town and schoolhouse loans,	1980 00
Interest on said loan,	750 00
Bonding officers,	130 00
Assessors' department,	500 00
School house note,	2500 00
Miscellaneous,	2000 00
Schools,	13,000 00

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Essex, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town, on Tuesday, the twelfth (12th) day of March, nineteen hundred and twelve, at six (6) o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your ballots for

Moderator for one year.

Town Clerk for one year.

One Selectman for three years.

Overseers of the Poor, Board of Health, and
Fence Viewers, for one year.

Treasurer for one year.

Auditor for one year.

Tax Collector for one year.

Tree Warden for one year.

Six Constables for one year.
One Assessor for three years.
One School Committee for three years.
One Trustee of Public Library for three years.
One Park Commissioner for three years.
One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

And to vote on the following:

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town for the coming year?
Yes or No.

All on one ballot. The Polls will open at six (6) o'clock and close at ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon.

ART. 2. To choose or appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.

ART. 3. To hear the Reports of the Town Officers and act thereon.

ART. 4. To raise and appropriate money for the repairs of highways, Town ways and bridges, and all other Town expenses, and to determine the manner of spending the same.

ART. 5. To see what action the Town will take towards gravelling and curbing sidewalk on the westerly side of Willow street and to raise and ap-

appropriate a sum of money for the same as petitioned for by Robert Robertson and others.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars and authorize the same to be used by the Park Commissioners in acquiring for Park purposes, under Chapter 109 of the Acts of the Legislature of Massachusetts for the year 1911, the parcel of land known as the Wigglesworth Cemetery lot, on the northwesterly side of Main street in Hamilton, said sum being sufficient to meet the estimated expense of acquiring said land.

ART. 7. To hear the report of the Ipswich River Committee and to take any action thereon. Petition of L. E. Libby and others.

ART. 8. To see what action the Town will take regarding the investing the Miss Abigail Dodge and Dr. Justin Allen funds. Petition of L. E. Libby and others.

ART. 9 To see what action the Town will take towards gravelling the sidewalk on the westerly side of Main street, between the Meyer estate and the W. F. Nichols estate, as petitioned for by Fred. P. Kilham and others.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take toward acquiring a municipal water supply for its inhabitants and establishing a water supply system,

and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, and pass any vote or votes in relation thereto, as petitioned for by Philip Scully and others.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to divide the Town into wards and make the necessary arrangements to provide for a voting place at the Town Hall and one at or near the Engine House at South Hamilton and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same, as petitioned for by L. E. Libby and others.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will elect a building committee or Commission and take the necessary steps to give to them the authority usually vested in such boards, or to take any other action toward protection against fire on account of inflammable roofs. Petition of L. E. Libby and others.

ART. 13. To see what action the Town will take to discontinue the public way commonly, called or known as "Dodge Lane," extending from Highland street to a point in front of the house of William Henry Dodge, as petitioned for by Charles H. Smith and others.

ART. 14. To see what action the Town will take towards the maintenance of an isolated hospital as required by Chapter 613, Acts of 1911, and appropriate a sum of money for same, or take any action thereon.

ART. 15. To see what action the Town will take toward reducing the number of Constables.

ART. 16. To see what action the Town will take toward shingling the roof of South Schoolhouse and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ART. 17. To see what action the Town will take towards raising and appropriating a sum of money not to exceed fifty (50) dollars for the purpose of observing Decoration Day by the Soldiers of the Rebellion.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year, beginning March 12, 1912, in anticipation of the taxes for said municipal year, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the Town, giving the note or notes of the Town therefor.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer when appointed Collector may use agreeable to Chapter 25, Section 75, of the Revised Laws.

ART. 20. To determine what time tax bills shall be issued and taxes become due, and take any action thereon.

ART. 21. To act on any other matters that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Meeting House, one at the Town Hall, and one at the South Hamilton Post Office, in said Town, seven days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of February, A. D. 1912.

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,

GEORGE W. FITZ,

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,

Selectmen of Hamilton.

SCHOOL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF HAMILTON

1911-1912



SALEM, MASS.
BARRY PRINTING CO.
1912.

School Committee's Report.

Annual report of the School Committee of the Town of
Hamilton for the year 1911-1912.

ORGANIZATION.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman,	Term expires 1913
C. AUGUSTUS NORWOOD, Secretary,	“ “ 1914
EDWIN A. BLAKE, Ph. D.,	“ “ 1912
C. AUGUSTUS NORWOOD, Purchasing Agent.	
HENRY G. BLOUNT, Superintendent.	

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

(Closed December 30, 1911.)

Amount appropriated for Schools,	\$12,800 00
Received from Dog Tax, 1910,	374 77
Received from City of Boston, tuition,	76 00
Balance on hand December 31, 1910,	769 78
Damaged Books,	59
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	\$14,021 14
Total payments on following pages,	12,856 15
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Balance on hand December 30, 1911,	\$1,164 99

PAID TEACHERS.

Mr. Henry G. Blount, Principal and Superintendent,	\$1,432 50
Miss Harriet E. Boynton,	375 00
Mrs. Laura D. Blount,	525 00
Miss Lillian E. Eaton,	695 63
Mrs. Mattie P. Buell,	719 73
Miss Louise E. Dearing,	560 70
Miss Harriette A. Wetherbee,	333 75
Miss Ada E. Moulton,	535 09
Miss Edith L. Fletcher,	535 09
Miss Marcia A. Gordon,	536 67
Miss Nellie G. Cutting,	431 86
Mrs. Grace C. Stone,	431 86
Miss Flora Lipson,	450 01
Miss Eloise A. Pitcher,	254 25
Miss Mildred B. Skerry,	225 00
Miss Susan E. Knapp,	217 09
Miss Anna Mellen,	177 61
Mr. Henry L. Stone,	185 00
Miss Cora E. Hill,	15 50
Miss Edith F. Cotton,	5 00
Miss Maude V. Ellis,	6 00
Miss Gladys Smith,	4 00
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	\$8,652 34

PAID FOR CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

James H. Perron,	\$740 00
Mrs. A. F. Lougee,	38 90
Sylvester Day,	34 00

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John E. Cox,	\$24 00
Flora Lipson,	6 00
Harry Smith,	6 00
Charles E. Grant,	24 00

\$872 90

PAID FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Ginn & Company,	\$181 30
A. D. Handy,	105 20
F. J. Barnard & Co.,	123 33
Library Bureau Co.,	13 45
Silver, Burdette & Co.,	9 59
John S. Cross,	2 00
William J. Murdock,	30 74
Educational Pub. Society,	38 60
Underwood Typewriter Co.,	107 00
The Palmer Co.,	1 50
A. N. Palmer,	6 01
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	403 56
Horace E. Andrews,	30 98
Educational Supply Co.,	1 00
Hobbs & Warren Co.,	2 10
Louis M. Pignolet,	5 60
George Checketts, Jr.,	1 00
D. C. Heath Co.,	13 63
American Book Co.,	33 55
L. E. Knott App. Co.,	205 14
William G. Webber Co.,	18 32
Charles E. Merrill Co.,	5 12

\$1,338 72

MISCELLANEOUS.

Timothy A. Moynihan, fuel,	\$778 87
Timothy A. Moynihan, clearing cesspool,	10 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.,	57 74
Beverly Gas and Electric Light Co.,	28 99
Robert Robertson Co., repairs,	12 63
Frank P. Trussell, repairs,	117 77
W. L. Smith, repairs,	56 30
Waters & Brown, repairs,	10 00
Zina Goodell, repairs,	42 69
Frank E. Burnham, repairs,	36 76
Rider-Erison Co.,	1 85
Joseph W. Lee & Co., repairs,	35 80
Thomas Atherley, cleaning clock,	1 00
John B. Hill & Co., cleaning clock,	1 70
A. J. McGinley, supplies,	1 90
John W. Goodhue, supplies,	23 07
Stanley Liquid Soap Co., soap and towels,	46 97
S. E. McGlauffin, services as truant officer,	16 95
Henry Bushek, boiler inspector,	12 00
Frank R. Shaller, tuning organ,	1 00
Fred C. Shaller, printing,	20 00
Philip Sculley, repairs,	1 10
O. J. Kimball, supplies,	15 66
William M. Currier Co.,	18 00
S. C. Gould, supplies,	11 48
William W. Bancroft,	134 32

Standard Oil Co.,	\$10 95	
American Seating Co., seats for High School,	86 40	
Paine Furniture Co.,	18 98	
A. L. Perley, repairs,	5 90	
Remington Typewriter Co., repairs	1 52	
C. A. Peterson, repairs,	104 64	
John R. Mann, team,	11 00	
George K. Knowlton, seven trips, printing, repairs,	23 25	
George K. Knowlton, taking school census,	15 00	
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		\$1,772 19

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS.

Boston & Northern St. Ry. Co.,	\$ 6 00	
William A. Brumby,	25 20	
Quinn McGregor,	25 40	
Patrick Sullivan,	24 80	
John E. Cox, Jr.,	12 00	
William Cox,	12 00	
Horace Cook,	12 00	
Edith Fitz,	3 90	
Charles Grant,	12 00	
James Hart,	12 00	
Keith Nutter,	3 90	
James Poole,	3 90	
Mildred Smith,	12 00	
Mabel Cole,	12 00	
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		\$177 10

PAID EXPRESS, POSTAGE, ETC.

Peoples Express, Inc.,	\$2 40	
C. Augustus Norwood, repayment of cash advanced,	12 36	
Henry G. Blount, repayment of cash advanced,	8 40	
James H. Perron, repayment of cash advanced,	13 54	
George K. Knowlton, repayment of cash advanced,	6 20	
		<u>\$42 90</u>

TOTAL PAYMENTS.

Paid Teachers,	\$8,652 34	
Paid for care of Schoolhouses,	872 90	
Paid for School supplies,	1,338 72	
Miscellaneous expenses,	1,772 19	
Transportation of Scholars,	177 10	
Paid for Express, Postage, etc.,	42 90	
		<u>\$12,856 15</u>

SCHOLARS' TICKET ACCOUNT.

Balance in hands of George K. Knowlton, Dec. 31, 1910,	\$34 80	
Received rebate on scholars' tickets from B. & M. Railroad Co.,	5 01	
		<u>\$39 81</u>
Paid B. & M. R. R. Co., for scholars' tickets,	35 10	
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1911,		<u>\$4 71</u>

ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOLS 1912.

The following is an estimate of the amount of money that should be raised and appropriated by the Town for all public school purposes for the municipal year, 1912-13, \$13,000.00.

TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

To the honorable Board of School Committee:

Gentlemen:—I hereby tender the following report. During the year ending December, 1911, I have made twenty one (21) calls and in all cases the children have been sent back to school without having to resort to the Courts.

I am informed by the School Superintendent that the percentage of attendance has been raised from 92% to 94%. I feel that the parents have co-operated very fairly with the School Superintendent and the truant officer and wish to thank them for so doing.

S. E. MCGLAUFLIN,

Truant Officer of Hamilton.

In presenting our school report to the citizens of the town we are glad to record a year of good work in the schools.

Under the direction of the superintendent and principal of the High school, Mr. H. G. Blount, all our teachers have been working faithfully and conscientiously and are entitled to much praise for their excellent service.

We have reason to be thankful that no serious epidemic has invaded the schools during the year.

We have not been able to use the new annex at the south schoolhouse as much as desirable. It was not ready for occupancy till two weeks after the opening of the schools in September, and when the extremely cold weather came on in January, it could not be made warm enough for the comfort of the scholars, and several weeks schooling have been lost to the three primary grades.

The matter of heating and ventilating the building was somewhat experimental, and the unusually cold weather put the heating plant to a very severe test. The building committee has spared no pains or expense to put the annex into first class condition, and hope this result is now obtained.

For a detailed report of the work and progress of the schools see the report of the superintendent.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
C. AUGUSTUS NORWOOD,
EDWIN A. BLAKE,

School Committee.

Report of Superintendent.

To the School Committee of Hamilton :

I have the honor to submit my second annual report on the public schools for the year ending December 31, 1911.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A new building has been erected on the South School grounds to accomodate pupils of the Grade Schools who gave up their rooms in the main building because they were needed for the High School. Thus far it has been impossible to heat the building satisfactorily and school has been interrupted and some little time lost. At present each divison of pupils from the new building is having one session in one of the High School rooms and the teachers are each having an assistant at a nominal cost. This plan will certainly enable our pupils to recover lost ground and reach standard at the end of the year.

We sincerely desire to see this building well heated because the success of our first three grades for this year depends upon it. At present a new system of heating is being installed which is confidently expected to work.

But there is another situation to be faced for the future—that is the centralization of our school system. This means an increase of efficiency and a decrease of cost. There are four district or outlying schools in our town and they are maintained at an annual cost of practically twenty-three hundred dollars. Moreover some three hundred dollars is being paid each year for transportation. This makes the total cost of the district schools, irrespective of text books and supplies, twenty-six hundred dollars. It is a conservative estimate that all our pupils could be transported safely and comfortably for sixteen hundred dollars a year and that all could be taken care of at the South Building with the addition of another teacher at a cost of \$550. This would leave a balance in favor of centralization of more than four hundred dollars. Unification of schools is being tried in a town of Barnstable County, that is much like Hamilton, with good results. Business men are talking of centralization and unification, why shouldn't we school men and parents talk of it and bring it about?

If saving four hundred dollars by centralization were the only argument, however, I should not say another word. But there is a stronger argument—that of increased interest, activity, and efficiency on the part of the pupils.

At present, each teacher of a district school has the care and instruction of from five to seven grades. It is a great responsibility, since the needs of each grade are different and methods to be employed for primary and grammar grades are not the same. This means that a teacher in order to give the proper kind of instruction must be a specialist in methods of teaching different grades. It is almost impossible to find a teacher who is equally proficient in the work

of all grades. In a centralized school system it is possible to offer better salaries and secure specialists for each grade.

The second reason for centralization is the increase in length of periods for recitation it would bring about. The class recitation is the most important need of a pupil of the grade school. He needs the guiding hand and encouraging word of a teacher. He must be taught how to study, how to centralize his attention on work. Willing as a teacher may be, she could not find time for this if she must carry out a daily program for seven grades. That our teachers of fifty years ago did this is no reason why we should do it to-day. Our motto should be "progress."

A third reason for centralization is an increased interest that comes when pupils are constantly looking forward to promotion, a change of action and something novel. It creates a spirit of rivalry, too, and when we instill motive for education into a child's mind we add an incalculable factor to his education.

Fourth, centralization will bring about more efficient supervision and make possible instruction in other branches not at present possible. Under the present system nearly half of the time I spend in the supervision of district schools is spent en route to the schools—a great but necessary waste of time. It is also true of the music supervisor. Centralization will make manual training possible for all grades where it is practical at no great cost.

I believe our grade schools may be brought together within the walls of our fine South building and, there, a better system be wrought out and money saved. It is up to you, parents, and friends of the school, to grasp this opportunity.

This will lead us naturally to the consideration of a new High School building. I sincerely hope that these matters may be brought up at the town meeting in 1913 so that the citizens may see every aspect of the subject and act as seems best.

MEDICAL INSPECTION.

Schools were inspected as required by law and all children have either been vaccinated or have received physicians' certificates to the effect that they were not fit subjects for vaccination. There has been very little contagious disease manifest in the schools, for which we feel duly thankful.

CHANGES OF TEACHERS.

At the close of our last school year Miss Harriet Boynton, instructor in the High School, Miss Eloise Pitcher of the West School and Miss Harriette Wetherbee of the South School sent in resignations. Miss Flora Lipson was transferred to the West School, Miss Anna Mellen was elected to fill the vacancy in the East School, Miss Mildred Skerry in the High School, and Miss Susan Knapp in the seventh grade of the South School.

A COMPARISON.

According to the report of the State Board of Education for the year 1909-1910 (the latest report available) Hamilton stands on the list of towns and cities Number 143 in the amount of money raised per pupil. Leaving out of consideration the cities of the Commonwealth, Hamilton, stands

as Number 119, among the towns, with an appropriation of \$26.75 for each child in the public schools. In Essex County Hamilton stands Number 9 in the same report, where there are thirty-three cities and towns. Manchester stands first with an expenditure of \$46.83 per pupil. In 1908-1909 Hamilton stood 70th on the list, in 1909-1910, 143rd on the list. In amount of money per pupil we dropped 73 places in a single year. I should estimate, however, that our standing in our next report would be about 40th on the list of towns and cities. This would be a decided gain over the previous year.

GENERAL PROGRESS.

Attendance has been good during this school year and considerable increase of interest in school work is to be noted in the grades because of it. However, our district schools cannot compete with the South School. The best teacher in a district school cannot prepare a pupil so well for the eighth grade as he may be prepared at the South school. The brightest pupils who come to this building are nearly always lacking in many details. We ought to seriously think of this question.

PENMANSHIP.

Considerable progress has been made in the Palmer Penmanship System. Many pupils have received the Palmer button, pin and diploma for merit in the work. This subject is being faithfully pursued and we confidently expect to see progress in this most essential branch.

ARITHMETIC.

We are endeavoring to make this subject of practical interest. Emphasis is laid on the elementary processes of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. Oral work forms an important part of the daily work of the pupil. Problems relating to carpentry, the household, millinery, etc., are worked out by the children. This feature had proven very interesting to them.

HISTORY.

In this study pupils are taught to think as well as to commit to memory. It is the purpose to teach a child to understand the institutions of this country, give him an appreciation of our great statesman, that he may think and vote intelligently as an American citizen. Questions relating to government are much resorted to, to gain this end.

GEOGRAPHY.

Geography should teach a pupil (1) his relation to his fellow beings as a producer; (2) from what sources the necessities of his life come, and (3) give him a knowledge of Mother Earth and her people. To subserve these ends the pupil, in fancy, journeys from country to country, gets familiar with modes of travel, sees strange peoples, learns about their products. To familiarize him with the structure of the earth, local rivers, valleys, hills, lakes, etc., are taken up and studied in detail. This brings the subject of geography close to his life and keeps out dull thoughts.

READING.

Special attention is given to phonics in the lower grades. On the sounds of letters and letter combinations the pupil builds his knowledge of reading. In this way a child may recognize and pronounce a word that he has never previously seen. In later grades emphasis is laid on correct position, clear pronunciation, and expression. We do not obtain all of these from pupils, it is true, but we have a high aim. Reading is important because by means of it the pupil is supplied with an inexhaustible source of pleasure and thought. Men have often educated themselves through thoughtful reading of good books. So we insist on good reading in our schools.

ENGLISH.

The proper use of idiomatic English, ability to write simple composition, a knowledge of the structure of the language are the chief ends sought in teaching. Considerable difficulty is encountered in securing properly spoken English, but much improvement is to be found in the ability to write. I attribute this to a more conscious effort on the part of the pupil when writing than when speaking and to the special emphasis laid on it by teachers.

PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

The schools are fortunate in having Guelick's series of hygiene and physiology. They are interesting, instructive, and emphasize the care of the body in detail. Much interest is taken in this subject and the influence for good health and cleanliness is strong.

MANUAL TRAINING.

We need a course of instruction in manual training. This would stimulate the interest of some pupils who are not inclined toward study. Men testify that this is a physical necessity for numbers of boys and that when interest is aroused in this work it begins in other lines. I should appreciate an expression of opinion from parents on this matter.

HIGH SCHOOL.

In June, 1911, the High School held its first graduation. Two young ladies received their diplomas. Six more pupils will probably be graduated this coming June.

Much improvement may be noted in several grades of the High School. Considerable progress has been made in scientific work. It is made very practical and demonstrations in physics and chemistry have been possible through the generosity of the citizens who have so cheerfully voted money to buy apparatus and equipment. The High School is being conducted on as economical a basis as is consistent with a broad course of study and good work. Bear in mind that our school has only made a start. In a few years the amount needed for such things will be much less.

There is a great need of a new High School Building. In the fall of 1912 our enrolment will have reached 65-70 pupils. It will hardly be possible to assemble them in any single room of our building and this is a very essential matter. The problem of music cannot well be handled in so crowded a room and the whole school cannot be assembled for any exercises on necessary occasions. Disturbances of grade schools is unavoidable on account of difference in

recesses. Problems of discipline are more difficult. There is not a properly ventilated chemical laboratory and as a result the air in the building, while work is being done, is more or less contaminated. The valuation of Hamilton is continually increasing, the building is necessary, the tax rate is low. Let us take a proper businesslike method of raising the money that is financially sound and erect this structure.

Your attention is called to the report of the Commercial Instructor of the Grade Principal, of the Supervisor of Music and Truant Officer.

To the Superintendent of Schools :

The aim of the Commercial Department is to fit the pupils for regular office work of all kinds, and this it does in so far as the present equipment furnishes opportunity to prepare for such work. "Accuracy first, and then speed" is the standard set in all branches in which instruction is given, and an earnest effort is made to correlate these branches. Special attention is given to penmanship, that the student may not be handicapped in the bookkeeping work, and emphasis is given to two facts: that a competent stenographer must have a good knowledge of English, and that a broad general education is the best preparation for success in commercial life.

Two years' instruction is given in stenography, including theory, a broad reading course from books written in shorthand, theme writing, phrasing and dictation; all leading to the attainment of a speed of ninety words a minute.

Two years' instruction is also given in typewriting. Accuracy in punctuation as well as in mechanical work is insisted upon, and the pupil is impressed with the fact that the business man judges the efficiency of his stenographer by her ability to produce a perfect transcription of her shorthand notes in the shortest possible time. A thorough study of debit and credit, which will enable the student to analyze each transaction and thus make such a complete and yet concise record of every business transaction as would prove facts if such records were to be taken into court, is the aim of the bookkeeping work. A great deal of attention is given to business forms and practice, and to the use of different kinds of books of record. Instruction in commercial arithmetic is given in the ninth grade, and a short course in commercial law will be given this year. It is to be regretted that, on account of the teaching periods of the commercial instructor being fully occupied at the present time, it was found necessary to drop commercial geography from the course of study.

The necessity for having a commercial department in the High School is created by the demand for such instruction on the part of so many boys and girls who wish to enter the business world. The High School can give a better preparation than most so-called commercial colleges, because the commercial instruction in it is preceded by a foundation of broader general knowledge. There is a demand for such instruction in this town. Eight pupils are now taking the commercial course, three of whom will graduate this year. All seem much interested in the work. Two pupils were graduated from the course last year, and one has obtained a good position with the Beverly Y. M. C. A.

There are two ways in which to judge of the work done by the pupils in this department; to visit the department and see the pupils at work, and to follow the career of such pupils after they have been graduated from the school and have taken positions.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN E. EATON,
Instructor in Commercial Branches.

Mr. H. G. Blount, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir: —

Having the opportunity, we wish to say that the conditions of the South School have been much improved by more regular attendance on the part of most of the pupils, due largely to the aid given by our Truant Officer.

At your suggestion pupils coming late to school have been required to obtain a card of admission from the Principal before entering their own rooms. This has greatly raised our per cent. of punctuality. We should like to ask the continued co-operation of the parents along these lines that still better work may be accomplished.

During the year, hoping to improve the language work, we followed an outline including letter-writing reproduction, stories of imagination and of experience.

Through dramatization the little folks have acquired good expression in reading and developed imagination. Forming mental pictures helps all branches. An effort was

made in all reading to have the child grasp the idea and lifting the eyes from the book read it naturally.

We feel that special attention paid to syllabication has greatly improved our reading, spelling and written language.

The new Gulick Hygiene Series has proved both interesting and helpful.

In Arithmetic special stress has been laid on oral work with marked improvement in all the grades.

The new curriculum has given zest and enthusiasm in the subjects of History and Geography.

Under the Palmer Method of Penmanship we can report slow but steady progress.

Much difficulty has been found in sight reading of music in the upper grades but as more individual instruction is being given along this line in the lower grades, this trouble will eventually disappear.

There is need of a systematic course in drawing with a Supervisor, although each teacher has given some instruction in this subject.

In every grade there are always a few pupils who need individual help and could we have a special teacher assigned to assist such, it would in many cases promote a child who otherwise would spend two years in one grade and the others would be vastly better fitted for the work of the following grade.

We wish that some arrangement might be made whereby the chapel bell be rung to announce no school in case of unsuitable weather.

Respectfully submitted,

Principal and Teachers of the South School.

To the Superintendent of Schools :—

Only a few changes have been made this year in teaching music in the grades. More stress, perhaps, has been put on the reading of music, but no less attention has been given to the ear training, both tonal and rhythmical, and to the production of a good quality of tone in the singing. In the higher grades a musicianly interpretation of the songs has always been insisted upon.

In the district schools the old plan of dividing the pupils into two divisions for their music lesson still seems to be the most feasible. For a time three divisions were made at the North School; but this arrangement, even though better because of so many pupils, had to be given up and the old one resumed,—the time allowed this school being no greater than the time allowed the smaller schools.

In the High School the students do not enter into the singing so heartily as is desired; neither do they generally evince the joy in the work that is so absolutely necessary for good results. Since, however, they sing some of their songs with good spirit and seem to take pleasure in so doing, it would seem that a great part of the indifference is due to the old music books, which, on the whole, contain but few attractive numbers. As soon as these books are discarded and replaced by new ones—and it is gratifying to note that this is being contemplated—a decided improvement is expected in the singing in this school.

The kindly and hearty cooperation of the teachers is most gratefully acknowledged and appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY L. STONE.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Pupils neither tardy nor absent for the year.

CENTER SCHOOL.

Theodore Nutter.

EAST SCHOOL.

Agnes Choate,

Norman Day.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Grade VIII.

Sydney Dufton.

Grade VI.

Walter Ramsdell,

Gladys Mann.

SCHOOL CENSUS, 1910-1911.

TEACHERS		SCHOOLS		GRADES		SALARY PER YEAR							
Henry G. Blount.....	High School	IX—XIII				\$1500							
Lillian E. Eaton.....	High School					735							
Laura D. Blount.....	High School					600							
Mildred B. Skerry.....	High School					600							
Mattie P. Buell.....	South School	VIII				735							
Susan Knapp.....	South School	VII				550							
Louise Dearing.....	South School	V—VI				575							
Ada E. Moulton.....	South School	IV—V				550							
Edith L. Fletcher.....	South School	II—III				550							
Marcia A. Gordon.....	South School	I—II				570							
Nelly G. Cutting.....	Center School	I—VI				450							
Grace L. Stone.....	North School	I—VII				450							
Flora G. Lipson.....	East School	I—VII				450							
Anna Mellen.....	West School	I—VII				450							
Henry L. Stone.....	Music					200							
	Months	Days	Number Enrolled	Boys Enrolled	Girls Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent Attendance	Number between 5 and 15	Number between 17 and 19	Number over 15	Number under 5	Enrollment September, 1911
Grade I.....	9-2	12	30	9	21	22.95	20.19	83.9	30	4	0	0	30
Grade II.....	9-2	12	28	18	10	27.21	25.34	91.59	28	14	0	0	23
Grades III and IV.....	9-2	12	43	27	16	40.38	37.87	93.91	43	43	0	0	ii, 26 iv, 24
Grades V and VI.....	9-5	12	42	22	20	40.1	38.7	95.9	41	42	1	0	v, 23 vi, 30
Grades VI and VII.....	9-2	12	46	24	22	38.4	34.9	90.6	41	46	5	0	viii, 28
Grade VIII.....	9-2	12	26	11	15	23.4	22.	94.	19	7	7	0	27
West School.....	9-6	19	19	12	7	14.45	13.37	91.26	18	14	0	1	13
East School.....	9-6	27	27	15	12	24.1	22.3	92.3	27	24	0	0	21
North School.....	9-7	26	26	12	14	20.6	19.6	93.0	26	16	0	0	25
Centre School.....	9-9	33	33	21	12	32.6	31.	95.0	33	25	0	0	28
High School.....	9-23	43	43	14	29	36.	34.	93.0	9	35	34	0	55
Average or Total.....	9-6		363	185	178	321.09	299.27	92.23	315	270	47	1	353

SCHOOL CENSUS, SEPTEMBER, 1911.

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15,	191	
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15,	165	
Total,		356
Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14,	129	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14,	104	
Total,		233

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. BLOUNT,

Superintendent of Schools.



